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Former Iraqi general draws hundreds in **Didsbury**

Sada discusses time with Saddam

BY JOSH SKAPIN

A man once employed by notorious Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein spoke to a crowd of more than 500 people at the Zion Evangelical Missionary Church in Didsbury on Saturday.

Sada opens his talk by remarking on his appreciation for

the appearance of the rural Alberta countryside.
"This country is like a beautiful garden," he said. "You are very blessed."

Sada's story starts in 1965, when he first encountered

He had agreed to give his wife and her friend, both educators, a ride to work, when his new acquaintance informed Sada that she was married to Hussein.

At the time, Hussein was known in the country, but had

not yet taken power. Sada was a highly trained airforce pilot who moved up the ranks and became a leader and person of influence, joining Hussein's staff following his rise to power in 1968.

"I wouldn't say I disagreed with Saddam, because disagreeing meant you lose your life,"

GEORGES SADA

What limited Sada's career, but he believes saved his life on more than

one occasion was his faith.
"I was the only Christian in the country," he told the Didsbury audience.

His open belief in Christ conflicted with the nation's restrictions of freely practising religion, and resulted in him being forced to retire as a two star officer

Another aspect that separated Sada from Hussein's other advisors was his willingness to challenge.

"I wouldn't say I disagreed with Saddam, because dis agreeing meant you lose your life," he said, however, Sada proved to be something opposite of a yes-man.

As Sada remembers, on one occasion, he was called to Hussein's office to discuss their difference of opinion.

The Iraqi leader stared down Sada and told him he had defied him on 18 occasions.

I thought, 'oh my god, he has counted them.

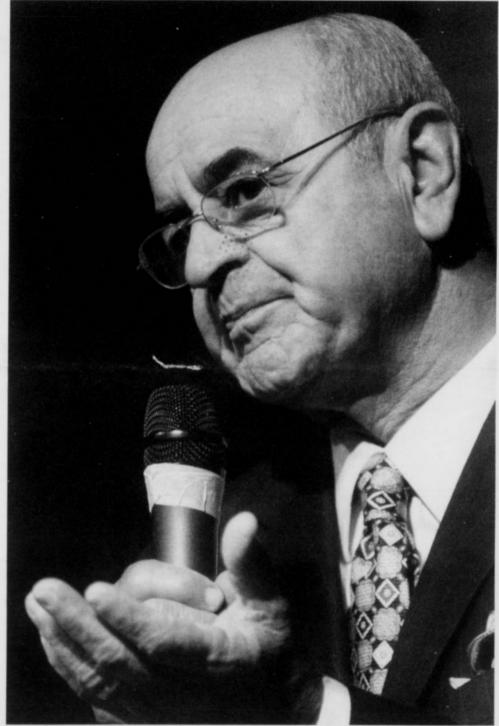
But Hussein's tone changes, as he tells Sada, "on 18 ccasions, you've been right." I said 'thank you Jesus."

Sada, who taught at an Iraqi military college following his retirement in 1986, was brought back for a second tour of duty in 1990 for assistance in the invasion of Kuwait. His relationship with the Iraqi military ended following

a dispute over captured pilots, serving the British, Italian, and United States Air Forces.

According to Sada, Hussein's son demanded that the

pilots be executed, referring to them as criminals of war.



SPEAKING OUT - Saddam Hussein's former Iraqi Airforce Advisor, General Georges Sada, speaks to a crowd about his experiences with the former dictator at the Zion Evangelical Missionary Church in Didsbury last Saturday.

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Sada was quick to disagree, pointing to policy determined in the book of the Geneva Convention, he said they weren't criminals, but rather prisoners of war and must be treated as such.

Sada told Hussein's son that the death of American pilots would result in the United States declaring war against his family

Sada was briefly imprisoned for his conflict on phi-

losophy, but later let go.

According to Sada, Hussein ordered his release and didn't want to see him harmed, but said "I don't want to see his face again."

Another point of discussion from Sada's Didsbury presentation was weapons of mass destruction.

Sada confirms they were in Iraq.
"Yes, I have seen them with my own eyes," he said.
According to Sada, a special organization was

formed for the purpose of hiding the weapons of mas destruction, including personal residences and schools

They had also been used in a campaign that killed 5,372 innocent Iraqi people, while wounding many

"I bow before mothers and fathers who have lost a child serving in Iraq or Afghanistan.

Good Iragis and good Afghanis appreciate what is being done."

Sada, who serves as Senior Warden of the St. George's Anglican Church and as the President of the National Presbyterian Church, both in Baghdad, also spoke about the revival of Christianity in the Middle

Getting up from the chair in which he was seated during his talk, Sada walked to the edge of the stage at the Zion church and with an expression of heart-felt sincerity declared his appreciation for members of the military looking to make a positive difference in his

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Sada is the author of a book called Saddam's Secrets: How an Iraqi General Defied And Survived Saddam Hussein.



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P2P eager for coming tourist season

BY MARK LAYCOCK Didsbury Review

Oil companies aren't the only ones benefiting from high gas prices this summer. Prairies to Peaks tourism region and various other rural tourist spots are expected to see an increase in visitors this year as travellers stay closer to home.

The news was welcomed by various operators at the Prairies to Peaks Annual General Meeting held last week at Pasu farm south of Carstairs.

A Canadian Tourism Commission survey polled prospective travellers and found that rural tourism is expected to jump three per cent this year, as out-of-province and out-of-country numbers are expected to drop 10 per cent.

"When the rest of North America is going down, we're looking to go up," said Kathie Vance, executive director of Prairies to Peaks (P2P).

In response to rising energy prices, Travel Alberta has unveiled a new campaign dubbed "Stay" which encourages Albertans to travel within the province, and entices visitors to extend their trips to Alberta for a longer period of time.

Ron Symic, director of marketing for Travel Alberta told operators in attendance that the \$5.6 million campaign will take Travel Alberta in a completely new direction and encouraged operators to embrace the idea.

Bob Scott, assistant deputy minister of tourism Alberta, echoed Symic's remarks.

"We have to realize we can't totally rely on one market, we have to go after a number of markets to be successful."

Scott noted that Alberta's tourism marketing budget receives the most funding in the country, amounting to \$67 million.

He said that tourism is the fourth largest sector in the province. "We have a pretty healthy agenda. We have great product, and great operators with good marketing funding to target good markets."

Vance says the new "Stay" campaign will be great for some regions, but may not have a substantial effect on P2P because the target market for the region is visitors on day trips from Calgary and other big cities.

Vance is quite content with the growth of P2P, which now boasts 77 members and growing.

"Tourism in the region has incredible potential. There's a general consensus amongst people who are wanting to get away, to get away from cities and get to the rural area, so we actually have the ability to grow as the (major) destination for rural tourism in Alberta."

However, there is a snag that is holding the region back.

Vance says Travel Alberta is shutting out tourism regions from its Destination Marketing Organization, which provides various regions with certification and much needed funding.

"It's an official title given by the province and Travel Alberta, and they don't want to give it out to anyone else but they're giving funding out to existing DMO designations."

"There's been a struggle where we aren't getting DMO status and we're not being told by Travel Alberta why we're not receiving funding... which leaves this region, in my opinion, a little bit abandoned."

Vance says P2P will continue to pressure Travel Alberta in the coming year. Another area of concern is the con-

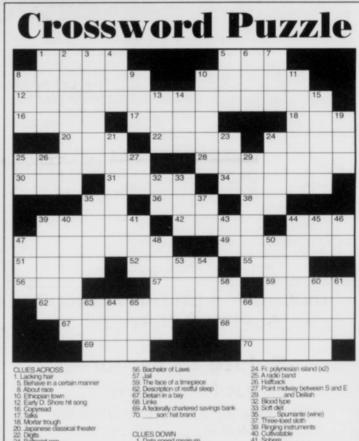
cept of "packages."

Vance told operators that destinations like Hawaii are popular because there are so many assets in one region, making it a destination spot where visitors can do multiple activities over a number of days – something that needs to be

encouraged here.

"Tourists ourselves, when we go someplace, we go for the collection of assets in a region... in bringing tourism to this area and increasing it, we need to focus on offering more and more." "We're competing in a marketplace where there is a lot of money and we do need to stick together and very often pool resources in order to keep up with the competition."







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pinion

Commentary Close youth punishment loophole

DAN SINGLETON

A recent Supreme Court of Canada ruling that struck down a provision of the Youth Criminal Justice Act (YCJA) that required some violent young offenders to prove they do not deserve adult punishments is an affront to law-abiding Canadian society.

As such the Harper government should immediately introduce legislation to trump the high court ruling. Anything less will send the wrong message to young criminals and to the public-at-large.

In a controversial 5-4 decision, the judges of Canada's highest court struck down the reverse onus provision of the YCJA that placed the responsibility on teenagers convicted of violent crimes such as murder to prove why they shouldn't be sentenced as adults.

"The provision clearly deprives young people of the benefit of the presumption of diminished moral blameworthiness based on age," the court ruling

"By depriving them of this presumption because of the crime and despite their age, and by putting the onus on them to prove that they remain entitled to the procedural and substantive protections to which their age entitles them, the onus provisions infringe a principle of fundamental justice.

The four dissenting judges said Parliament has "every right to consider the competing interests of public safety and the reduced moral blameworthiness of youth."

The Supreme Court ruling does not outlaw adult sentences for all serious, violent youth crime, but it will make it more difficult for the Crown to get adult penalties for young murderers and rapists

In recent years residents in all provinces have time and again expressed outrage over what they believe are overly lenient sentences handed to 16 and 17 year old violent criminals.

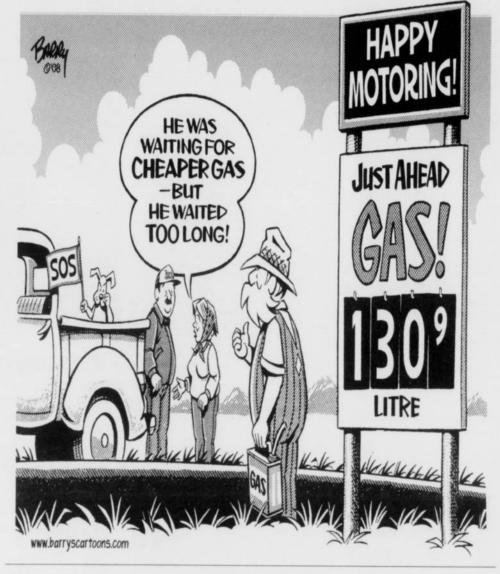
In fact, there are many, many recent examples, including in Alberta, where older teens have es tially 'gotten away with murder' - and rape and other serious violence - by hiding behind youth criminal justice legislation.

Yet is there a single Canadian out there who does n't believe that every right-minded 16 or 17 year old knows perfectly well that killing someone or committing other serious violence is wrong and deserves punishment?

The clear message Canadians want their politicians to know is this: Canada's laws should protect communities from harm at the hands of violent offenders - and whether those crimes are committed by adults or by older teens makes not a bit of dif-

The Harper government recently managed to get the age of sexual consent increased from 14 to 16 years. Now it's time for that same government to make an honest and concerted effort to have the age of young offenders lowered from 17 to 15 years.

You want to protect Canadians Mr. Harper? Here's your chance.



Commentary

Stop carrying a grudge, nursing old wounds

GWEN RANDALL-YOUNG

It is easy enough to do, for we are all, at some level, sensitive beings The problem here is that carrying that grudge keeps it alive and active in our consciousness, as

though it just happened yesterday.

If you stubbed your toe on the corner of the bed, you would not go back and consciously repeat that action over and over again. Yet, if we have felt offended by someone we may play that hurt over and over in our minds. It is the same thing, except one is physical, the other emotional. However, physical pain usually heals and goes away

by itself. Emotional pain could do the same, if we stopped thinking

Not only is it wise to stop replaying hurtful events, it is even wiser to let the whole thing go. To forgive is a choice. It does not mean that what the person did was OK, it just means that we likely all inadver-tently hurt others at some time, and we hope that we have been for-given also. We are human. We all make mistakes. We all get hurt. When we are hurt, we say or do things we may not really mean

No one can take back what they have said or done. It can be a true gift to that person to erase their transgression from our conscious ness, particularly if it is someone who cares about us

Put each hurtful thing that has even been done to you in an imagi-nary helium balloon. When you have them all, let go of the strings, and picture them all floating away, until you cannot see them any-more. You will be amazed at how much lighter you feel, and how much more room for loving there is in your heart. You may have to repeat this exercise from time to time, but it does work. Others may hurt us, but only we can heal our

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Everybody's Business

Then and Now



IAN TAYLOR Didsbury and area trustee

A few weeks ago I had the pleasure of attending an assembly at Ross Ford School where the focused on theme

generations of students in Didsbury. It as part of the school's celebration of was part of the schools celebration of Education Week and present in the gym were some families with four, even five generations represented – the oldest having attended the fine 1907 red brick

So, I was not the only grandparent present, there were lots of us, including members of the choir, Mountain View Choraliers, who started their enthusias tic presentation off with "School Days The children sat attentively on the hard, hard, wooden floor. The choir got to the part, "...reading and writing and 'rithmitic, taught to the tune of a hickory stick...." There was not a flicker from the students; they were blissfully unaware of the meaning of that phrase.

It got me thinking of how much education has changed in my own lifetime. As a child in post-war Britain, school seemed something that had to be endured, certainly not enjoyed. Short

pants were mandatory to age twelve, even through the winter, and I well remember having sore chapped legs. School winter sports were soccer, rugby, and cross-country running done under leaden skies on saturated muddy fields with the happy prospect of a luke-warm and crowded shower afterwards. The whole emphasis seemed to be on producing tough, uncomplaining citizens. Someone had forgotten to tell the education department that the War had finished ten years previously! Classes were large and there was

one size fits all approach to content and teaching. If you didn't learn, it was considered to be because either you were too lazy or too dim. The whole realm of learning disabilities, special education and remediation, lay far in the future. It was the sink or swim philosophy. Parents rarely if ever complained. It would have been considered making a fuss and that would have been thought unpatriotic

As a student teacher in the early six-ties I remember being introduced to a radical new idea, namely that children are individuals and should be treated as There was also work being done on brain functioning that revealed some children, despite appearing bright, were afflicted with a processing problem that hindered their learning. I recall that

s one of the first conditions identified.

Back in the early '70s, teacher in High Prairie, I had a Grade 5 language arts class as part of my assignment. I soon discovered that there were two boys who couldn't read. How had they fallen through the cracks? How could I help them? There was no special education at the school, no remediation or reading specialist. I did what I could with the aid of my wife who taught primary grades but it was not enough. I am sure many teachers are haunted by such

examples from the past. It was the beginning of a long period that was high on diagnosis but short on practical help and methodology. This manifested itself in "experts" conducting extensive tests on students that would confirm to teachers what they already knew but give them little practi-cal advice on how to help those students

Fast forward to today where a great deal of attention is given to helping stu-dents with learning difficulties. That field has been expanded to include behavioural diagnoses such as attention deficit hyperactivity disorder, fetal alcohol syndrome, and oppositional defi-ance disorder. A big chunk of our budget is spent designing programs and employing education aides for individ-

The latest strategy for preventing students from falling through the gaps is to try to help children with potential learn-ing problems as early as possible. The new Minister of Education, Dave Hancock, has set this as one of his priorities and it is based on solid research into brain development in young children. It shows that there are key stages in brain growth where, unless the opportunity for learning occurs at that time, then it might never properly happen later.

Before the new minister made his announcement we already had a number of pilot projects underway in the division that target preschoolers. The plan is to work with other social agencies to identify youngsters and their mothers who would benefit from help. This preventative approach holds much greater promise of being effective, I believe, than what we do now. It reminds me of that old T.V. ad for oil filters (Fram I think) where the mechan-ic's closing line is, "Pay me now or pay me later'

The opinions expressed here are my own, not necessarily those of the board. If you wish to contact me about educational matters you may do so at phone, 335-8575 or e-mail nanatee@telusplan-

Tho let the dogs out?

MURRAY ELLIOTT

If you live in Didsbury, Bowden, Innisfail or Carstairs there is a group of newspaper delivery personnel who are responsible for the delivering the news to your door.

In Alberta's booming economy, it's tough to attract carri-ers and even harder to keep them. To say I appreciate the hard work carriers and the staff who prepare the papers and flyers is an understatement. Rain, snow, sleet, wind, and icv cold conditions don't deter our hardy crew. Most deliver in an efficient, friendly manner. There's the odd hiccup, but our

ered, dropped at the wrong door, or left out in the rain. Recently, however, there has been an increase in con-

plaints from carriers who have encountered less-than-friendly dogs roaming free. There have been close calls and even the odd bite. Fortunately, nothing serious. Justifiably, carri-ers are quitting or refusing to deliver in certain areas, which creates its own set of challenges. I'm not talking about a dog who escapes its owner's backyard, but perpetual offenders

Obviously. I place the blame on the few irresponsible dog

owners who continually violate municipal bylaws. Pleas keep your dog under control. A dog roaming free is not only dangerous, but against the law.

We will continue to do our best to deliver your news to your door. In return, we ask for patience and understanding, and to the few irresponsible dog owners, we hope the prob-lems can be resolved before town bylaw officers are called

Letter to the Editor Make peace not war

A "Canada First" military strategy is Stephen Harper's latest promise. Of course one can be forgiven for asking, "What does that mean?" When asked, the Prime Minister's Office produced no study papers or plans of any kind. So what is the military

point that the Prime Minister is trying to make? Under Liberal governments our military was used primarily for humanitarian relief and peacekeeping (with few excep-tions). Since the Trudeau era our military has not been used for just our own direct protection and benefit. Rather we spent military resources, and sometimes lives, to help others.

Presumably then, Prime Minister Stephen Harper is saying

that using our military as a humanitarian and peacekeeping force is no longer Canada's principal military objective. Given the Prime Minister's insistence on hard combat in what is now a local civil war in Afghanistan, we can also conclude that Mr. Harper equates a "Canada First Military Strategy" with hard

However, for nearly 50 years Canada has recognized that hard military combat should not be the main purpose of mili-

Defending the peace through humanitarian relief and peace keeping produces far greater returns than does deadly combat Naturally, military forces must be able to inflict and take casualties in defence of their civilian population. However, our defence is greater served through helping others and keeping the peace. Having an increasingly effective DART capability would garner Canada the greatest international acclaim and provide greater protection for Canadians at home.

Unfortunately, we now have a Prime Minister that believes in war making more than peacekeeping - present for combat in Afghanistan, absent in relief for Myanmar and China.

Eugene Parks

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A conversation with Hussein's former advisor

INTERVIEW BY MARK LAYCOCK WRITTEN BY JOSH SKAPIN

Former Saddam Hussein advisor Georges Sada, who spoke at the Zion Evangelical Missionary Church in Didsbury on Saturday, sat down for an interview following his presentation.

Review: Aside from being with generals and what we have seen of him on television, what was Saddam Hussein really like behind closed doors?

GS: I have been with Saddam when we have talked about war and operations. Saddam is a man whose mind is filled with getting control and how to have power. He used to think that he is the new Nebuchadnezzar.

When you enter the palace of Saddam, on the right you'd find a big por-

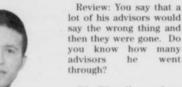
trait on the wall and he is handing the keys of the world to Saddam Hussein – of the world. He was always thinking about power and control.

He always thinks that he is better than all leaders. He doesn't respect any other leaders, he thinks that he is superior. He was a very special man in his thinking.

Review: Ever since you became Christian, and all those years being his advisor, did you ever wake up in the morning and really feel uncomfortable being around a man that is so evil?

GS: All the mornings we wake up we were not comfortable. From the first moment he tells you he is one of his advisors, you're in danger. You can be a very good officer, a very good advisor and you can make only one mistake of saying something that isn't the way he liked it and you may lose your life immediately. Many officers have lost their

life because of this. I am a talkative man, and say things – many people have said the only thing that made me to still be alive is that I am a Christian. I couldn't take his position in that country became I am a Christian. He felt safe from me because of this. But not the others. The others, they may do anything to take his position. They may kill him or poison him, but because I am a Christian he knew I would not do that. That's why I was more safe than the others.



Josh Skapin

GS: I'll tell you how many. Most of the advisors would tell him only what he wanted to hear. All of those who would make a

mistake – he would finish them. There are many who are finished. Many advisors, many officers.

Review: Do you feel when you were there, that it was God who truly protected you?

GS: I believe in that 100 per cent. There is nothing that has helped me to live to this moment except him.

Review: Did Saddam have a particular view of Canada?

GS: Saddam looked to the world, all Europe, and all North America as takers of minerals and things like this. But he was not against Canada like he was against the U.S.

Review: I know Saddam had a lot of lavish palaces.

GS: All around. Yes, he had 68

palaces.

Review: Did you ever get to stay in one?

GS: I was working in the palace. Beautiful. Not like the White House. I have been to the White House, five or six times. It's small. But the palaces of Saddam were something in dreams.

Review: He had solid gold toilets, right?

GS: Many places, all the taps of water, the toilets, all gold.

Review: Do you feel that Saddam really believed that he could defeat the U.S. military?

GS: He had thoughts that weren't normal. He says we would fight for Allah. We would fight them,

and he would help us defeat them. I used to tell him about their military and he would say 'Georges, you talk technically, but you never tell me about supernatural things which happen.'

Review: when Saddam was found, did you expect him to be found like that?

GS: No. I expected that he would be braver, but he was very cowardly. Everybody would respect him so much more if he used his weapons to kill the first soldier he sees, and even if he were killed, he would be respected more. He always talked about bravery and how brave we should be, but he was very cowardly.

Review: Did you agree with him being executed?

GS: You see, I am a Christian. I don't think anybody, even if the criminals are killed. I can't be happy with anybody being killed. I want everybody to be alive and to be given a chance.

You can take as many prisoners as you want, but I don't believe in killing people, hanging people.

There are some people who are very bad, so you isolate them.

We are looking after the wild animals. In Canada, when there is a lot of snow and a lot of ice, when the animals are hungry the Canadian government gives them food – animals! So, how should we treat humans?



Mark Laycock

Review: Do you think or do you know if Saddam had a hand in Sept.11?

GS: I'll tell you what I know. Because Osama Bin Ladden was sent to me by Saddam Hussein. He was very good contractor to do airforce. So he knew them. I know in Irao and we had three big

Iraq, and we had three big camps for training. On Sept.11 there was a big celebration in Baghdad. Right in front of my eyes. I was surprised, why were these people celebrating? They were so happy. So, they didn't participate 100 per cent, but they participated by agreeing with what happened.

Review: Of the candidates for the United States presidency in 2008, who do you think would work in the best interest of Iraq?

GS: Superpower countries, for their best interests, they will do anything. That's why you should not think there will be a great interest or a republican candidate in the White House...They will achieve the same thing, and do it in a different way, but the result is the same thing.

They must achieve the interest of the United States. That's why I will tell you there will be not much difference in the foreign policy.





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THE FOLLOWING DEVELOPMENT PERMITS HAVE BEEN ISSUED FOR THE FOLLOWING PROPOSED DEVELOPMENTS:

DF	42-08	1521 Wlatter Place	4' Front yard fence with conditions	R2
DF	45-08	1278-23 Avenue	1/2 Duplex with conditions	R2
DF	46-08	1280-23 Avenue	1/2 Duplex with conditions	R2
DF	48-08	106 Valarosa Place	Single family dwelling with conditions	R2
DF	49-08	6 Westhill Place	Deck with conditions	R1
DF	50-08	1321-25 Street	Accessory building	R1
DF	51-08	2143-25 Avenue	Deck	R2

Further information may be obtained at the Town Office, 2037 - 19 Avenue or by calling 335-3391. Person(s) wishing to appeal any of these decisions must do so in writing, with the appropriate fees, to the Secretary, Development Appeal Board, prior to 4:30 p.m. on **June 10, 2008**. Robert Wigg, Development Officer

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Fax 403-335-9794
E-mail: naasen@didsbury.ca

AMENDMENT TO THE TOWN OF DIDSBURY RATE AND FEE BYLAW 05-12

The Town of Didsbury Council approved the amendments to the Rate and Fee Bylaw at the May 13, 2008 Regular Council Meeting.

All amended rates and fees will become effective June 1, 2008 with the exception of some Recreation fee changes which will become effective July 1, 2008, as noted in the Bylaw

If you wish to view the approved Amended Rate and Fee Bylaw 05-12, please visit the Town of Didsbury Website: www.didsbury.ca or stop by the Town of Didsbury Administration Office.

PUBLIC NOTICE TO ELECTORS OF THE TOWN of DIDSBURY, PROVINCE OF ALBERTA

SECTION 258 - THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT ACT

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Town of Didsbury in the Province of Alberta, has given first reading to borrowing By-law No. 2008-09 which will, upon final passage and approval, authorize the proper officers of the said Town of Didsbury to borrow monies from the Alberta Capital Finance Authority by way of debenture issue or loan to pay for the cost of the following municipal purpose(s), namely financing, undertaking and completion of the following capital projects:

North Industrial Stormwater and Paving Project - \$1,200,000

Public Works Maintenance Projects - Large one time - \$255,000
Facilities Maintenance Projects - Large one time - \$255,000
Parking lot at Train Station Project - \$83,000
Memorial Recreation Centre SW Parking Lot Project - \$23,000
Memorial Park Project Completion - \$85,000within the limits of the said municipality;

The total cost of the aforesaid capital projects amount to \$1,896,000. The amount to be born

credit and security of the municipality at large by the issue of debentures is \$1,896,000.

The debenture or loan in the amount of \$1,896,000 is to be repayable to the Alberta Capital Finance Authority in Twenty (20) equal consecutive semi annual installments of combined principal and interest. Authority in Twenty (20) equal consecutive semi annual installments of combined principal and the semi annual interest not to exceed Ten per centum (10%), or the interest rate as fixed from time by the Alberta Capital Finance Authority.

NOW THEREFORE NOTICE is hereby given by the Council of the Town of Didsbury that, unless a petition of the electors for a vote on By-law No. 2008-09 is demanded, as provided for by the terms of Section 231 of the Municipal Government Act, the said Council may pass the said borrowing by-law.

All persons interested are hereby notified and they are required to govern themselves accordingly. DATED at the Town of Didsbury, in the Province of Alberta, this 13th day of May, 2008.

INFORMATION FOR ELECTORS

Pursuant to Section 1(i) of the Municipal Government Act an "elector" means: A person who is eligible to vote in the election for a councilor under the Local Authorities Election Act. Pursuant to section 47(1) of the Local Authorities Election Act a person is eligible to vote in an election

is a Canadian citizen, and has resided in Alberta for the 6 consec is resident in the area on election day. ecutive months immediately preceding election day and

A poll may be demanded in the Town of Didsbury by electors equal in number to at least: in the case of a municipality other than a summer village, by electors of the municipality equal in number to at least 10% of the population and in the case of a summer village, by 10% of the electors of the summer village in accordance with the provisions of section 223 of the Municipal Government Act and in accordance with the provisions of section 258 of the Municipal Government Act.

The petition for a vote must be received by the Chief Administrative Officer within 15 days of the last publication of this notice and shall contain on each page "an accurate and identical statement of the purpose of the petition". (Further requirements of the petition are provided in section 224 of the Municipal

DATE of the last publication of this notice is the 27th, day of May, 2008

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY COMMUNITY SERVICES BOARD

The Town of Didsbury has one (1) vacancy for a member-at-large on the Community Services Board. This is an advisory board to Town Council that

addresses issues surrounding: Community Services, Family & Community Suppor Services (FCSS) and Recreation for the Town of Didsbury. This committee meets once monthly, on the first Thursday of each month at 7:00 pm at Didsbury Neighborhood Place.

Please submit applications for this cancy no later than Friday, June 13, 2008 to the following:

Town of Didsbury Attention: Nicole Aasen Box 790 Didsbury, AB TOM 0W0 Fax: (403) 335-9794 Email: naasen@didshury.ca



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HAVE BEEN MAILED MAY 16, 2008 IF YOU HAVE NOT RECEIVED YOUR NOTICE PLEASE CONTACT THE TOWN OFFICE TAX DEPARTMENT.

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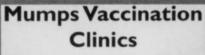
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Japanese students need families

Organization to bring visitors to Didsbury

BY JOSH SKAPIN Didsbury Revie

A non-profit agency is looking for Didsbury and area families that are interested in hosting a Japanese student for ten months

Global Partners Institute has been placing Japanese students with host families in Alberta for the past 12 years, including their first presence in Mountain View County with a student in Olds last year, but this is the first year Didsbury will be involved.

"This is a new town for us, and we got a wonderful letter from the mayor welcoming us to the community, Senior Regional Manager for GPI, Brenda

"The only thing we don't have is host families.

Ingram says the agency's lowest requirement for a family is to have at least two relatives living in the home.

"We figure a single person just isn't around enough to have interactions with the student," she said, adding that the family must have an appropriate living space for the student, which means a private bedroom, or the ability to share a room with a ame-gender host brother or

While the family will provide three meals a day, the student will pay for their personal requirements, which may mean entertainment recreational expenses

"We pay the families for providing a loving, caring teaching the kids about Canadian culture and having the students as part

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of their family."

The students, who are in the 15 to 17-year old age group, can all read and write English, which they learn in Japan, so the reason they visit Canada is to polish their understanding.

"In a lot of cases, they'll take five or six years of English from people who don't speak English," she said.

"A lot of times the only conversation they've had is through tapes, television or something like that. They do understand it, but have never had the opportunity of having someone to speak

They're very shy, and a lot of times you'll think they speak can't English...after ten months you'll be amazed that they actually knew all along, they

vere just too shy to use it."

Ingram says the agency has interest in also bringing students Korean Didsbury, but it's GPI's first time dealing with a Korean

We do have an acceptince letter from Chinook's Edge School Division to place Korean students in the schools, but we're not quite there yet.

Didsbury High School principal Garth Dagg, says the experiences he has had with international students have all been positive

Unrelated to GPI, DHS will be hosting two Korean students through a connec-tion with a family that recently moved to Didsbury

"I found it's been a good complement to a school,' said Dagg of the presence of international students think they bring a little bit more of a global perspective to a small community. increases diversity throughout our building as well."

Dagg says from his experience with international students, he has seen students

"I found it's been a good complement to a school. I think they bring a little bit more of a global perspective to a small community. It increases diversity throughout our building as well.'

GARTH DAGG

of his continue their bond.

"Some of the kids form pretty strong relations and they follow up through trav-There has been some great ties built over the

Japanese students will also be placed in Cremona, Innisfail, Bowden, Spruce View, Olds and Sundre

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Police talk liquor laws

Cst. speaks to Didsbury Grade 11 students

BY JOSH SKAPIN Didsbury Revieu

A Didsbury RCMP constable is looking to raise awareness among area youth over some misconceptions regarding

Cst. Shane Williams plans to meet with Grade 11 students at Didsbury High School to discuss some of the commonly misunderstood laws on Monday.

Williams initially intended to give his presentation to Grade 12 students, but said DHS principal Garth Dagg suggested

They'll be around next year, they're all they'll still be in minors and it's probably something that would benefit them more," he said.

Williams tested their knowledge with a

quiz and answered questions about the

topic.
"One thing I have noticed while patrolling the area is that there are a lot of misunderstandings when it comes to liquor laws," he said.

Something he commonly sees is an

inappropriate transfer of liquor.

"People think, if the liquor is closed, that it can be transferred anywhere in the vehicle," he said.

But when you're transferring it, this needs to be out of harm's reach. best place to put it is the trunk of your vehicle or the back of your truck.

To that end, Williams says he has also noticed confusion surrounding what is considered open liquor.

"There have been instances where I've seen drivers put liquor in coffee cups, and say 'oh well, it's not open because I've got the lid closed."

However, Williams explains the coffee cup would be considered open liquor because it is no longer in its original container, which results in a \$115 fine

Williams says another misconception is that a minor can enter an establishment licensed to serve liquor, and if found to be underage, can leave without penalty.

"The common perception is that they can say 'oh OK, I'll leave." he said, adding that there is a \$115 fine for the act.
Williams says many of the RCMP's

complaints are liquor-related in some

Drowning death inquiry resumes in fall

BY DAN SINGLETON Didsbury Review

fatality inquiry looking into the drowning death of an eight-year-old boy at the Olds Aquatic Centre two years ago will resume in September, with testimony expected from several additional

Jordan Neave was found at the bottom of the deep end of the pool during public swimming on May 20, 2006. He was pro nounced dead on arrival at Olds Hospital.

The inquiry got underway before Judge B.A. Miller in Didsbury provincial court in February and was adjourned to allow the Crown to gather more information.

When the inquiry resumes in Didsbury court Sept. 23 the manager of the Aquatic Centre at the time of the drowning and a representative from Alberta Health are expected to testify, said Bruce Halliday, the Neave fami-

ly's lawyer. "The judge has asked

Alberta Health to get read on what Alberta Health is doing in terms of swimming

somebody from

regulating swi pools," he said. judge stated that he hadn't just wanted to drop his "They don't want Jordan to have died in vain."

BRUCE HALLIDAY

report into the void; that wanted to see that ere was some connection, that something was going on in the govern-

The Alberta Health repesentative will not spe-"on the merits of this case, but rather their considerations on swimming pool matters and how they have been involved," he said.

During the inquiry's opening day, court heard eave, a non-swimmer, ad been told by his grandfather to wear a life

jacket at all times when in the pool.

eave was not wearing a life jacket when he was discovered at the bottom of the pool by other swim-mers, court heard.

"In this case there was testimony from Royal Lifesaving that the lifeguard at the time standing where she was, was prob ably in the best position to stand, but from that position she couldn't see down to the deep end of the pool at the bottom within the (visual) scan (area)," said Halliday

"Lifeguards should be able to scan a particular area within 15 to 30 sec-The testimony has been that if you do it in less than 15 seconds it's too fast and you won't see enough, and if it's more than 30 seconds it's too

"And from all the scan areas that were assigned every point in the pool and the surrounding deck areas has to be within the vision of somebody within that 15 to 30 seconds. That's a criteria that has been proposed for a long time by the Lifesaving Society of Canada."

Following testimony on Sept. 23 lawyers will have a chance to sum up and then the judge will pre-pare a report for the Department of Justice.

"I expect it (preparing the report) to take at least a couple months. Judges now have fairly heavy schedules and I think the

judge really wants to put his mind to this." The judge can make rec-

ommendations but cannot assign blame.

Asked what the Neave family wants to see come out of the inquiry, Halliday said: "They don't want Jordan to have died in vain. My view of this is that too often lifeguards are given just an impossible task. There is just too much loaded on the life guards.





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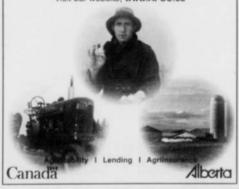
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Chinook's Edge confident in security processes

New survey looked at youth violence

BY DAN SINGLETON

Didsbury Revi

The Chinook's Edge School Division's security proces es and programs are working well, keeping students, teachers and staff safe in classes and elsewhere on school property, say officials.

"I think we are doing everything we can in terms of being proactive with all of our safety measures, our safety plans, our lockdown practices," says Heather Henderson-Hill, division deputy superintendent. "We can feel confident that we are doing everything we can to ensure the safety of everyone

*Certainly within our jurisdiction we have security cam eras in most of our school sites, so we believe that will deter violence and will help us nab anyone who does

cause a crime within the school or on school property."

Last month a Cremona student pleaded guilty to making a bomb threat against his school. The boy, who was placed on probation, was arrested after a parent contacted school officials, who, in turn, contacted police.

Chinook's Edge has schools in Olds, Didsbury, Carstairs, Innisfail, Sundre and Cremona.

A Statistics Canada survey released last week found that 10 per cent of youth crime now occurs on school properties across Canada, with violent crime making up more than one in four criminal acts committed by young

The survey of all youth crime in Canada in 2006 found that assaults were the most prevalent offences on school property (27 per cent), followed by drug-related crimes (18 per cent).

Weapons were present in about seven per cent of school youth crime, with less than one per cent involving

Stats Canada examined Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics police-reported data for the survey, finding that the overall rate of violent crime among young people increased by 12 per cent over the past decade.

In 2006, almost 180,000 young people were charged under the Criminal Code.

Drug related crimes among youth have also climbed markedly, increasing by 100 per cent over the past decade. Marijuana-related arrests accounted for 84 per

As well, the number and rate of young people accused of homicide in 2006 reached its highest level since records were first kept in 1961. About 44 per cent of homicides committed by youths "We can feel

involved knives Youth property crime actually fell off markedly over the past decade, with break-ins falling 47 per cent and minor thefts declining 33 per cent.

Chinookís Edge The School Division will continue to rely on parents and others to inform school officials of possible prob lems regarding school safe

confident that we are doing everything we can to ensure the safety of everyone"

HEATHER HENDERSON-HILL deputy superintendent

ty and security, said Henderson-Hill.

lWe review our practices, we review our safety process-s, we review all of that with everyone who is involved. It's always reviewed," she said.

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When they learned of an almost uninhabited island to the west of England, they believed it to be the Isle of

In the Celtic language, "Isle of Destiny" was pronounced "Innisfail." In fact, the original name of Ireland was Innisfail. Over the years there have been many ver-sions of this particular name including Innisvville, Innisfree and Innishail. On November 20, 1903 the town of Innisfail was incorporated.

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DIDSBURY & DISTRICT Community bus. Call Jan to book your trip. 335-3052.

DIDSBURY YOUTH JUSTICE

COMMITTEE'S meetings are held the first Monday of each month. All persons interested in volunteering and helping to work with the youth in our community are encouraged to come. For location and time please call 335-1975.

School will be open to anyone that would like to walk inside for exercise without the winter elements. Open every school day 7:30-8:30am. For more info call 337-2888.

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Town welcomes intern

In 2002, in an effort to meet the needs of Alberta's mu ipalities, the ministry introduced the Municipal Internship Program as a pilot program. This pilot program provided five municipalities with the opportunity to with the opportunity in recruit interests as a means of testing the feasibility of reintroducing the program and the functionality of the program design. The program was expanded to eight host appropriate the program in the program of the program was expanded to eight host appropriate program in the program of the progr municipalities and interns for 2003/04, and incorporated more extensive training sessions and materials. The 2004/05 program had 11 interns participating in 14 municipalities and the 2005/06 program had ten host municipalities and participate. For interns participate. For 2006/07 there were 15 interns and 16 hosts participating and 2007/2008 saw 15 interns participating in 17 municipal-ities. There will be 15 internship positions available in 2008/09.

made application the past two years and this year, the Town of Didsbury was cho-Town of Didsbury was cho-sen to host a Municipal Intern. The Municipal Intern will work in all departments of the Town and will be responsible for a variety of projects that will give the intern a variety of learning experiences.

experiences.
On May 5th, Brittany
Hutton joined the Town of
Didsbury staff. Brittany is Just completing a degree in Urban Studies at the University of Calgary. Not only does Brittany bring an excellent academic back-ground but she also brings a wealth of municipal experience having worked for the Government of Alberta as a Learning Clicks Youth Ambassador, the Bridgeland Community Partnership Community Partnership Program in Calgary as an Assistant and in the City of Red Deer as a laborer for the

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Enhancement Program grant
funding from MLA for OldsDidsbury-Three Hills, Richard
Marz.

One of the grants went towards Didsbury's Memorial Park Paving project, and is worth \$47,340.

The other grant was for renovations at the Didsbury Memorial Complex, and is worth \$56,000.

What's in a name?

Ghostpine Creek | Pine Lake

Ghostpine Creek flows southeast into the Red Deer River, approximately 80 kilometres northeast of Calgary.

Calgary.
On the shores of Pine
Lake around 1830 the
Blackfoot raided a sleeping
camp of Cree and murdered
every man, woman and

Only one Cree survived, having been away from the camp on a hunting expedi-

When he returned and found all his family and friends murdered, the Cree painted his face black in mourning then set out on the trail of the Blackfoot

the trail of the Blackfoot.

The lone Cree managed to kill many of the rivals, raiding their camps at night or else ambushing anyone who became separated from the main group.

For years afterwards the Cree avoided Pine Lake.

An odd-looking tree guarded its shores and people thought the region was haunted by ghosts of those who were murdered.

This explains the original name of the feature, Ghostpine Lake. The Ghostpine Creek

The Ghostpine Creek flows from here and forms a junction with the Red Deer River, shortly after joining the Three Hills Creek.

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Kids Safety Week begins

BY MARK LAYCOCK Didsbury Review

They may seem like simple rules: look both ways before crossing the street, slow down in school zones and be vigilant when walking around roads, but each year in Canada 30 child pedestrians will lose their lives

and 2,400 will suffer injuries.
It is with those numbers in mind that Safe Kids Canada is holding its nationwide Safe Kids Week campaign this year from May 26 to June 1.

This year's campaign focuses on pedestrian safety. Parents are encouraged to take their children around town and educate them on the dangers of crossing streets and how to approach a crossing safely.

Furthermore, some communities are looking to keep drivers aware of local speed limits with the Pace Car program

In participating communities, citizens can volunteer to place a sticker on the back of their vehicle indicat-

ing they're a pace car. Whenever those participating drivers hit the streets, they are required to follow posted speed limits, thus forcing drivers behind them to slow down.

Donna Mae Walker, Public Health Nurse at Didsbury Health Unit, said the program is a great step forward for communities to further educate young people and make the streets a little bit safer.

She said that in communities such as Carstairs, where school children have to cross the highway and railway tracks to go to school, it can be especially dan-

"Everyone is walking across that big highway to get to school," she said.

Between 1995 and 2004, 381 children across Canada have died due to pedestrian incidents, with most between the ages of 10 and 14.

For more information please visit: http://www.sick-



You're Invited We're listening

The Alberta Electric System Operator (AESO) is meeting with members of the community to provide information and to hear your feedback on the need for reinforcement of the transmission system between the Edmonton and Calgary regions. Construction of a new transmission line between the regions is being considered within the grey study area of the map. A second reinforcement is forecast to be needed in the next few years. After receiving community input, AESO will make decisions on need and preferred routing and file a Needs Identification Document with the Alberta Utilities Commission.

Information will be available on options being considered for reinforcement.

Two transmission facility owners, AltaLink and ATCO Electric, will also be in attendance to answer your questions.

Please join us at any of the information sessions listed below between 4:00 PM and 8:00 PM. At each open house various representatives will be available to show you the alternatives and to listen to your opinions and advice.

OLDS June 2 Olds Alumni Centre

TROCHU June 3 Trochu Community Centre

CROSSFIELD June 4 Main Hall

RED DEER June 5 South Hill Kinsmen Community Centre

ECKVILLE June 9 **Eckville Community** Centre

DICKSON June 10 Spruce View Community Hall

STETTLER lune 11 Recreation Centre

DELBURNE June 12 Delburne Community Hall

RIMBEY June 16 Rimbey Community Centre

WARBURG June 17 Community Hall

SHERWOOD PARK June Best Western Sherwood

Hotel & Conference Centre

TOFIELD June 19 Tofield Community Hall

DEVON June 23 **Devon Community** Centre

CAMROSE June 24 Edgeworth Centre

WETASKIWIN June 25 By the Lake Park, upstairs hall

AIRDRIE June 26 Airdrie Town & Country Centre

BASHAW June 30 Bashaw Agricultural Society

LANGDON July 2 Langdon Community Hall

CARBON July 3 Carbon Community Centre

GIBBONS July 7 Community Hall

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Silvertips grow with local talent

Cory Mitchell and Zac McCargar of Didsbury are two members of the Rockyview Silvertips Junior B Lacrosse team.

Zac and Cory started playing lacrosse at age 10, when lacrosse first became introduced to town due to the efforts of Pat Hobbs and Brenda Wagner. Because of their time and commitment to the sport, the Didsbury Lacrosse Association was created and with that the opportunity to play lacrosse was given to hundreds That was seven years ago and the organization is still growing.

Cory and Zac played every year under the leadership of Pat Hobbs ending their minor career in Didsbury at the Midget C level. At 16 both boys wanted to take their game to a higher level and were released from the Red Deer Lacrosse League in the spring of 2008. This allowed the boys to try out for the Rockyview Silvertip team which is based out of the Peter Knight Memorial Arena in Crossfield. The roster consists of boys from 17-21 years of age and encompasses a geographic area from Cochrane, Calgary, Airdrie, Crossfield, and now

The team is coached by Gord Henry who has been the driving force behind the team and who has managed to progress them to the higher, more competitive level of Tier 1. This will be the third year for the team at Tier 1, participating in a league made up of teams from Calgary, Edmonton, Saskatoon, and Moose Jaw.

When asked how the game differs from their previous years both boys had this comment, "The game is faster and played with more finesse, so we have to be quicker and more accurate, especially with our shooting and passing game. Also the intensity of the game is much higher than what we played at the Midget level,

so it makes it more of a challenge.

"We would also like to take this opportunity to publicly thank our sponsors,
Central Crane Services and IPM Consulting for their financial support. This support is very much appreciated and has made our ability to play the game at this level more accessible."



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The families of the late Gladys McInne like to thank friends, relatives and neighbors who sent food, flowers, cards and for their kind support sent food, flowers, cards and for their kind support during mother's passing. Thanks to Claude Baril, for helping with the funeral arrangements and Teresa McNeil, for her gratitude and for the unesome food she prepared. A special thank you to Dr. Addison, nurses and nursing staff of the low View Manor of Calgary, for their excellent care and support that they give to our mather. and support that they gave to our mother. It's nice to know that there are facilities arou that care and support our elderly people.

Thanks again and God bless, Rhonda & Brian Roberts & family Lorna Reese & family

Sincere appreciation is extended to Doctor Neil F. Smith and staff of the Carstairs Medical Clinic; as well as the nurses and staff of the Palliative Care Unit of the Didsbury Hospital for their compassionate care.

Special thanks to everyone who helped in the kitchen and setting up of the Hall for George's Celebration of Life.

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GEORGE KURTZ

George William Kurtz was George William Kurtz was born in Calgary on August 3, 1937. He lost a valiant 2 year battle with cancer and died on May 12, 2008 in Didsbury Hospital. George is survived by his wife Lila, (nee McCulloch.) two sisters, Reta Aiello of Honolulu, Hi; Jean Lust & BC; one brother Ted (Maria) of

of Burnaby, BC; one brother Ted (Marie) of Surrey, BC; one son Kevin (Maryanne); 2 daughters, Karen Chernow (Glen) and Loretta McGregor, all of Didsbury; a foster daughter Susie Goonewardene (Rosh) of Edmonton; and Susie Goonewardene (Rosh) of Edmonton; and 9 grand-children. Shortly after high school, George found his niche at the CN railway, where he started work as a brake-man in Prince Rupert and then later in Jasper where he met the love of his life, Lila McCulloch. They were married February 21, 1959 in the Carstairs United Church. George's son Edward Kevin and his daughter Karen Marie were both born in Prince Rupert, BC. Daughter Loretta Jean was born in Didsbury. Foster daughter Jean was born in Didsbury. Foster daughter Susie Westdorp came to live with them in 1981. George cherished his years working on the railroad, but farm-life offered a more stable environment in which to raise his young family, so in 1964 George and his family moved to Didsbury, where he spent the rest of his working life on the farm. The first 22 years on the farm were spent in partnership with Arnold McCulloch, and the remaining years George farmed on his own. George believed in living life to the fullest. He enjoyed his early years on the railroad, raising his kids, traveling with his wife Lila, loved his life on the farm, made life, long friends wherever he went and taught environment in which to raise his young familife-long friends wherever he went, and taught his children and his grand-children life lessons his children and his grand-children life lessons on the farm. George was a highly respected member of the Didsbury and Midway communities. He gave unselfishly of his time in service to many community boards and activities. He also coached his son Kevin's hockey teams. George's biggest love was for his grandchildren. He never missed an opportunity to attend their many competitions and other pursuits. If the grand kids were performing, George was there, ever present in their lives. George loved to travel. In the early years travel consisted of trips to visit friends and family in BC. Later, George and Lila filled the empty nest years with travel to Hawaii, a trip to Spain, a whirl-wind tour through several European countries and finally to New Zealand and George's favorite, Australia with its immense outback. George will be remembered fondly by his family and the many, many Immense outback. George will be remembered fondly by his family and the many, many friends he made throughout his life. Thank you to all who shared in the celebration of George's life which was held at George's favorite social center, the Lone Pine Hall on Friday, May 15, 2008. Arrangements were handled by Personal Alternative Services.



Wishing you another happy years!

Love: Shane, Vanessa, Jake & Carter

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